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Transmitted herewith for filing is the

- ☐ patent application of  
☒ continuation application of  
☐ continuation-in-part patent application of
- ☐ divisional application of  
☒ prior application information: Examiner M.Pham  
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For: **HIGH THROUGHPUT SCREENING ASSAY SYSTEMS IN MICROSCALE FLUIDIC DEVICES**

- ☐ For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.
- ☒ This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates: USSN 08/671,987 filed June 28, 1996, now US Patent 5,942,443 and USSN 09/346,660 filed July 1, 1999, the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.
- ☒ Please amend this application by adding the following before the first sentence: "This application is a continuation of USSN 09/346,660 filed July 1, 1999, which is a continuation of USSN 08/671,987 filed June 28, 1996, now US Patent 5,942,443, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference for all purposes."

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 53 pages of the description (including specification, claims and abstract)  
☒ 14 sheet(s) of ☐ formal ☒ informal drawing(s)  
☒ abstract  
☒ 74 number of claims  
☒ an assignment of the invention to Caliper Technologies Corporation (copy from parent)  
☒ a ☒ signed ☐ unsigned Declaration (copy from parent)  
☒ associate power of Attorney (from parent)  
☒ Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97  
☒ Application Data Entry Sheet
- ☒ notification of change of ☒ power of attorney and ☒ correspondence address filed in prior application  
☒ Patent Application Filing Acknowledgement postcard.  
☒ 1 extra copy of this sheet is enclosed  
☐ a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27  
( ) is enclosed  
( ) was filed in the prior application and small entity status is still proper and desired  
☒ Preliminary amendment, including copy of US Patent 6,103,199 and Table 1

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.53(f),  
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